YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Be the first to TALK WITH YOUR PRE-TEEN about ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, and other DRUGS

A FAMILY GUIDE^I



INFORMATION SHEETS

Individual sheets or the entire group of pages from the brochure may be printed.

Highlights from the pamphlet, "Be the First to Talk with Your Pre-Teen about Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs, A Family Guide" offer parents hints on guiding their children. Approaches to conversations and setting rules are followed by information on specific substances. Parents will be able to describe the major drugs, and the signs of their abuse. They will find Massachusetts and other resources that equip them to have a positive impact on their children's choices. Those who would like to do more are pointed to opportunities to become involved in their communities. Periodically, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health will add information on an expanded list of drugs.

- Pre-teens and Drug Use
- Talking about Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs
- Family Rules
- What Should I Look For?
- Understanding Laws about Drug Use
- Alcobol
- Club Drugs
- Cocaine/Crack
- Heroin
- Inhalants
- Marijuana
- Over-the-Counter/Prescription Drugs
- **■** Tobacco
- How Can I Learn More? Where Can My Family Go for Help?
- What Can I Do in My Community?
- Sources of the Statistics in this Brochure

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Prevention and
Treatment Referrals, and
Other Resources are
Available 24 hours a Day
from the Massachusetts
Substance Abuse
Information and
Education Helpline/

800-327-5050 (TOLL-FREE; MULTI-LINGUAL) TTY: 617-536-5872 WWW.HELPLINE-ONLINE.COM

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Additional Information and Statistics are Available From:

- Massachusetts Youth Health Survey, October 2002 www.state.ma.us/dph/bsas
- Massachusetts Youth Risk Behavior Survey www.doe.mass.edu/hssss/yrbs/ 01/results.pdf
- National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University www.casacolumbia.org
- Monitoring the Future, Overview of Key Findings 2002 www.monitoringthefuture.org
- Office of National Drug Control Policy www.whitehousedrugpolicy.gov
- Parents. The Anti Drug www.theantidrug.com
- Partnership for a Drug-Free America www.drugfreeamerica.org
- U. S. Department of Health and Human Services www.health.org